

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-13 (cancelled)

Claim 14 (original) A method for transferring folded sheet material, comprising the steps of:

receiving a first portion of the folded sheet material on a first supporting side of a collecting device;

supporting a fold of the folded sheet material on a supporting edge of the collecting device; and

pivoting the pivotable collecting device in a first direction such that a second supporting side of the pivotable collecting device receives a second portion of the folded sheet material, wherein the first and second supporting sides are opposing sides of the collecting device.

Claim 15 (original) The method of claim 14, wherein the receiving step includes pivoting the pivotable collecting device in a second direction to receive the first portion of the folded sheet material.

Claim 16 (original) The method of claim 14, comprising the step of:

deflecting the first portion of the folded sheet material onto the first supporting side of the collecting device.

Claim 17 (original) The method of claim 14, comprising the step of:

clamping the first portion of the folded sheet material against the first supporting side of the collecting device.

Claim 18 (original) The method of claim 14, comprising the step of:

advancing the first portion of the folded sheet material along the first supporting side of the collecting device.

Claim 19 (original) The method of claim 14, comprising the step of:

locking the pivotable collecting device when a desired amount of folded sheet material is received by the pivotable collecting device.

Claims 20-21 (cancelled)